

2010 Gold Coast Chess Festival

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Brilliance Prize \$150, the Winner is GM Zong Yuan Zhao(2586)

Brilliance Judge: Super Grandmaster Alexei Shirov

Here is the Judge's decision:

Dear Amir,

Sorry, with all this New year stuff I forgot about my arbiter duties! OK, here is the text:

"The winner is Zong Yuan Zhao for his game against George Xie. His attacking concept was indeed very creative and he showed a lot of imagination by finding 19.Rf6! after which the attack continues. I also appreciated his analysis of this truly exciting and very complicated game.

However I would have possibly given the prize to Andrew Brown for his crazy attack against Zhao, had he found the winning shot 34.Rxg6! instead of 34.h4? after which Black could get back into the game by playing 34...Qb8. Better luck next time!"

Alexei Shirov

See game at: <http://goldcoastchessfestival.com/GM%20Zhao%20vs%20IM%20Xie.pgn>